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FM AMEMBASSY DOHA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1302

INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: PRESIDENT SADAT'S VISIT TO QATAR

REF: DOHA 0203

1. WE NOTE THAT IN KUWAIT PRESS CONFERENCE PRESIDENT SADAT
STATED HE HAD FIRM PLEDGES TOTALING \$700 MILLION IN AID FROM
SAUDI ARABIA AND GULF STATES AS A RESULT OF HIS RECENT TRIP.

2. DURING FEB 29 CONVERSATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR, GOQ MINISTER
OF FINANCE AND AMIR'S ECONOMIC ADVISER PROFESSED NOT TO
KNOW AMOUNT OF QATARI CONTRIBUTION. BOTH MAINTAINED THAT FIGURE
WAS AGREED UPON IN MEETING ATTENDED ONLY BY SADAT AND AMIR,
AND THAT AMIR WAS NOT TALKING. ECON ADVISER (AN EGYPTIAN)

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CLAIMED THAT IN PROPORTION TO AVAILABLE RESOURCES GOQ HAD BEEN
CONSISTENTLY MORE GENEROUS TO GOE THAN OTHER NEIGHBORING

STATES.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH AMIR NOT NOTED FOR OPEN HANDED GENEROSITY
A LA SHAYKH ZAYID, HE IS TRULY CONCERNED BY GOE'S ECONOMIC
PLIGHT IN TERMS OF ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR MID EAST SETTLEMENT AND
AREA STABILITY. HOPEFULLY HE HAS ADEQUATELY MONETIZED HIS CONCERN.
IF INFO AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY CAIRO, WOULD APPRECIATE BEING
INFORMED HOW MUCH OF \$400 MILLION REPORTEDLY PLEDGED BY KUWAIT,
UAE AND GOQ CAME FROM DOHA.

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